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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: Atsuhiko ISHIHARA et al.

Application No.: 09/431,875

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For: SOLID-STATE IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS

CAPABLE OF READING OUT IMAGE SIGNALS WHILE THINNING THEM DOWN HORIZONTALLY AND SIGNAL READING

METHOD THEREFOR

Examiner: A. S. Moe

Confirmation No.: 009337

## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)

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## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated June 17, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1, 2, 5 and 6, the period for response having been extended one (1) month to October 17, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 13 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.